EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM TO

The Route B30 Newry Road, Crossmaglen (Abandonment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2012

S.R. 2012 No. 208

1. Introduction

1.1. This Explanatory Memorandum has been prepared by the Department for Regional Development to accompany the Statutory Rule (details above) which is laid before the Northern Ireland Assembly.

1.2. The Statutory Rule is made under Article 68(1) and (5) of the Roads (Northern Ireland) Order 1993 and is subject to the negative resolution procedure.

2. Purpose

2.1. The purpose of the rule is to abandon 806 square metres of superseded road adjacent to the B30 Newry Road, Crossmaglen.

3. Background

3.1. In April 2003 an adjoining area of land was abandoned and offered for sale to the adjacent landowner. The landowner now wishes to accquire this additional area.The Department is the owner of the bed and soil and is satisfied that the area of road is no longer required.

3.2. Following the abandonment the land will be disposed of in accordance with the statutory procedures for the disposal of government owned land.

3.3. On the coming into operation of the rule, the area of road in question shall cease to be maintainable by the Department and the public right of way over it shall be extinguished.

3.4. It is proposed that any equipment in the area of road to be abandoned belonging to statutory undertakers will be retained.

4. Consultation

4.1. The PSNI has been consulted and has confirmed that it has no objection. Newry and Mourne District Council has been notified and no objection has been received.

4.2. A notice in respect of the proposed abandonment was published in the local press for 2 successive weeks, a notice was posted on site and the statutory undertakers were notified of the proposal. No objections were received.

5. Equality Impact

5.1. Consideration has been given to compliance with section 75 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998. No equality issues have been identified by the Department and no issues were raised following the publication of the notice in the press.

6. Regulatory Impact

6.1. A Regulatory Impact Assessment was not considered necessary as the proposal does not result in any costs or savings to business, charities or the voluntary bodies.

7. Financial Implications

7.1. None.

8. Section 24 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998

8.1. Consideration has been given to compliance with section 24 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998. No human rights issues have been identified by the Department and no issues were raised following the publication of the notice in the press.

9. EU Implications

9.1. Not applicable.

10. Parity or Replicatory Measure

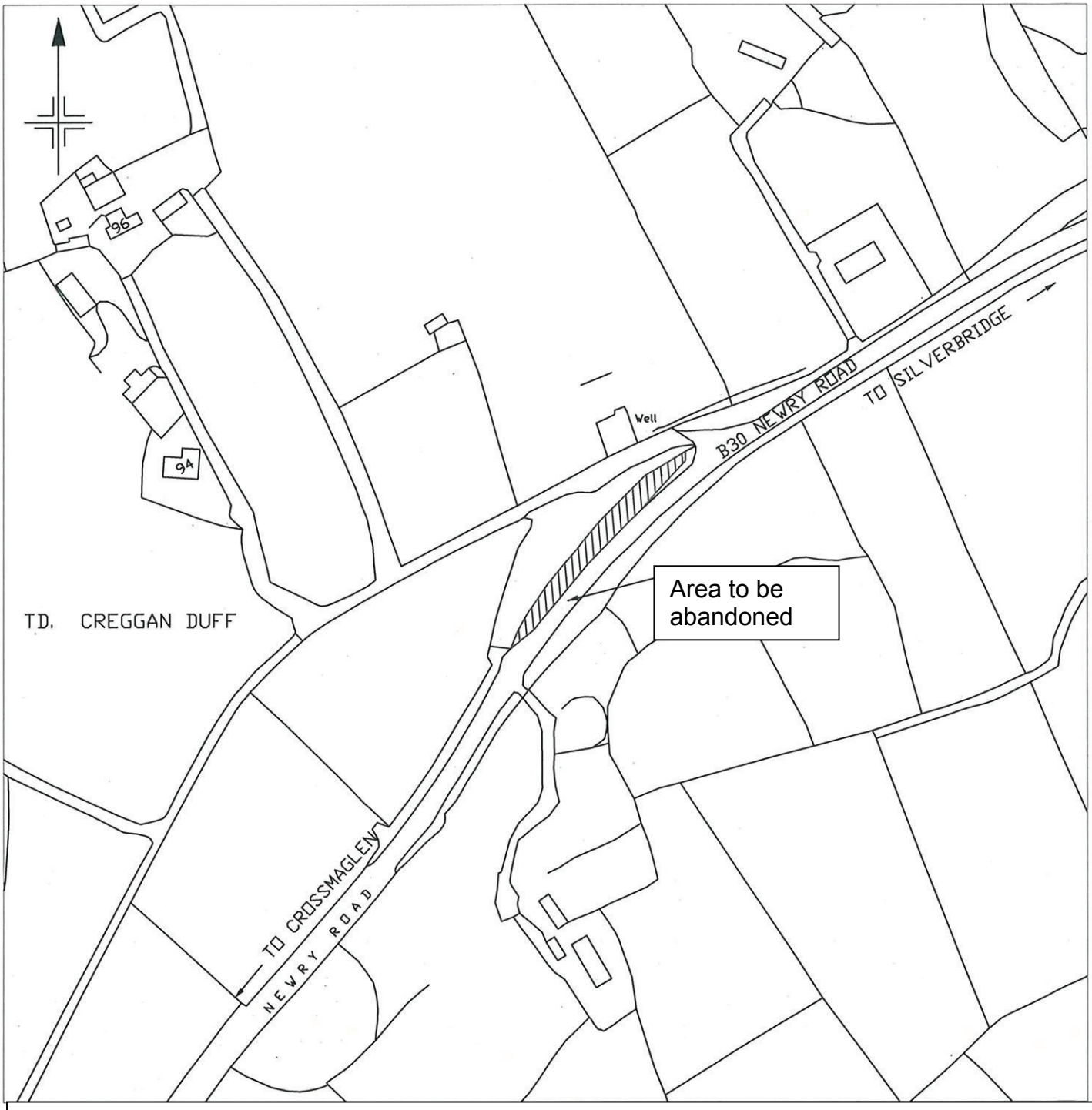
10.1. Not applicable.

11. Additional Information

11.1. Not applicable.

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ACE MAP



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